

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 5, line 3 with the following amended paragraph.

Referring now to the drawings wherein the showings are for purposes of illustrating the preferred embodiment of the invention only and not for purposes of limiting the same, Figure 1 shows an electric arc welder engine generally designated by reference numeral 10. The welder engine 10 includes a housing 12 having a cavity therein for operatively receiving components (not shown) of ~~the~~ engine ~~[[are]]~~ arc welder (~~not shown~~). The housing 12 defines a housing opening 14 connected to the cavity for providing access thereto. A door or cover 16 is pivotally mounted to the housing 12 adjacent the opening 14 for selectively providing access into the housing 12 for one or more of the components of the engine welder 10 contained therein. For example, the door 16 could be mounted to the housing 12 adjacent a radiator of the engine welder 10 for providing access to the radiator when maintenance, repair or replacement of the radiator is necessary.

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 6, line 3 with the following amended paragraph.

The latch assembly housing 30 supports a first pivot pin 34 in fixed relation relative to the door 16. The latch 24 is pivotally mounted for rotation about the first pivot pin 34. The latch 24 is movable between a first, latch closed position (shown in Figure 4) and a second, latch open position (shown in Figure 5). A first biasing member such as latch spring 36 urges the latch 24 in a first latch direction (counterclockwise in Figures 4-6) toward the latch open position. In the preferred embodiment the spring 36 is a torsion spring mounted about the first pivot pin 34. The latch assembly housing 30 further supports a second pivot pin 38 in fixed relation relative to the door 16. The latch trigger 26 is pivotally mounted for rotation about the second pivot pin 38. The latch trigger 26 is movable between a first, latch trigger closed position (shown in Figure 4) and a second, latch trigger open position (shown in Figure 6). A second biasing member such as latch trigger spring 40 urges the latch trigger 26 in a first latch trigger direction (counterclockwise in Figures 4-6) ~~toward~~ away from the second, latch trigger

open position. Like the spring 36, the spring 40 is a torsion spring and is mounted about the second pivot pin 38.

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 8, line 6 with the following amended paragraph.

To open the latch assembly, with reference to Figure 6, an external force F is applied to an upper surface 66 of the latch trigger 26 that is sufficient to overcome the urging of the spring 40. The external force F rotates the latch trigger 26 about the second pivot pin 38 (clockwise in Figure 6) causing the underside 62 of the latch trigger 26 to disengage the shoulder portion 60 of the latch 24. With reference to Figure 5, with the latch trigger 26 disengaged from the latch 24, the latch is able to be urged by the spring 36 toward its second, open position (in the direction of arrow A in Figure 5).